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## **THIRD MAN CHARGED WITH INTERSTATE TRAVEL TO COMMIT MURDER**

COLUMBUS – A federal grand jury here has indicted Elisha Lacy Dickens, age 29 of Pomeroy, charging him with interstate travel to commit a crime resulting in death in connection with the fatal shooting of a Clifton, West Virginia man on June 7, 2008.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, and Keith L. Bennett, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Cincinnati Field Division, announced the charges contained in a superseding indictment.

Dickens allegedly conspired with Michael Haynie and Adam McClellan in the commission of the June 7 robbery and slaying of Christopher Roush in Clifton, West Virginia.

The indictment charges Dickens with one count of interstate travel with intent to kill, and one count of interstate travel to commit a crime of violence in furtherance of unlawful activity. Each is punishable by up to life imprisonment. The indictment also charges Dickens with three counts of possession of a firearm in a crime of violence, each punishable by ten years to life imprisonment, and one count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute cocaine, punishable by up to 20 years imprisonment.

Haynie and McClellan were indicted for the crime on August 26, 2008. Haynie pleaded guilty on January 5, 2009 to one count of interstate travel to commit a crime which resulted in the death of another. This is punishable by up to life imprisonment. He also pleaded guilty to one count of murder with a firearm, punishable by a mandatory term of ten years and up to life imprisonment. He also pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy, punishable by up to 20 years imprisonment.

Charges against McClellan are pending.

Lockhart commended the investigation by West Virginia State Police, Columbus Police detectives, and FBI agents, and Assistant U.S Attorneys Kevin Kelley and David DeVillers, who are prosecuting the case.

An indictment is merely an accusation. All defendants are presumed innocent until and unless convicted in court.

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